

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY KHARTOUM

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 9230

INFO AMEMBASSY BEIRUT

AMEMBASSY CAIRO

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PFOR, XF, SU

SUBJECT: BUSINESS WEEK INTERVIEW

REF: STATE 001699 AND 002201

1. AT END MY MEETING WITH HIM YESTERDAY, MINSTATE FONAFFS AHMED SAID I MIGHT HAVE NOTED BEIRUT AND CAIRO PRESS CRITICISM OF SECRETARY'S RECENT REMARK TO "BUSINESS WEEK" RE USE OF FORCE IN MIDDLE EAST. I SAID THERE HAD ALSO BEEN INACCURATE EDITORIAL IN JANUARY 6 KHARTOUM PRESS (WHICH AHMED CLAIMED HE HAD NOT SEEN). WHILE SECRETARY HAD MADE REMOTE-CONTINGENCY COMMENT IN REPLY HYPOTHETICAL QUESTION, BURDEN HIS REMARKS HAD BEEN PRECISE OPPOSITE SENSE IMPUTED TO THEM BY ARABS, VIZ. HE HAD DISCOUNTED ANY POSSIBILITY RESORT TO FORCE EXCEPT UNDER CONTINGENCY WHICH HE MADE CLEAR HE DID NOT EXPECT ARISE. AHMED RESPONDED HE UNDERSTOOD BUT THAT PRESS TENDED TO LIFT REMARK OUT OF CONTEXT. I COUNTERED THAT IT SEEMED TO ME ROLE OF PRESS SHOULD BE TO SET STATEMENTS IN CONTEXT IN ORDER AVOID MISLEADING READERS.

2. COMMENT: VIEW PRESS CLAMOR IN MAIN ARAB CENTERS,  
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AHMED NO DOUBT THOUGHT HE HAD TO ALLUDE TO SUBJECT

DURING OUR TALK. HOWEVER, NOTHING IN HIS TONE SUGGESTED  
HE WAS CRITICIZING OR PROTESTING SECRETARY'S STATEMENT.  
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